

**MOUNTVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
October 14, 2024**

A meeting of the Mountville Borough Council was held on Monday, October 14, 2024, at 1900 hrs. in the Mountville Borough Hall at 21 E. Main Street, Mountville, PA 17554.

The following Council members were present:

- Theresa Baker, Jonah Eastep, Christine Eshleman, Danny Good, Phil Kresge, Rick Spiegel and Mayor Steve Mitchell. Lenny Heisey was absent.
- Also, present were West Hempfield Township Police Chief Jason Jay, Mountville Fire Company Fire Chief Dean Gantz and Borough Manager Derrick Millhouse.

The meeting was called to order at 1901 hrs. by Council President P. Kresge who then gave an invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Kresge addressed the visitors in the room. He advised them of the public comment sections of the meeting, and if anyone wished to be heard during those times, they could stand, state their name, and address, and then address the Council.

**Agenda Additions**

- None.

**Public Comment**

- Resident Bruce Gadbois addressed the Council regarding Spring Street. Mr. Gadbois voiced his support for relinquishing the roadway on the north side of the railroad tracks but encouraged Council to investigate the possibility of selling the property within the right of way to the highest bidder.

**Recognition of Visitors**

- MYAA – Dylan Weagly - Baseball Commissioner
  - Mr. Weagly requested the Council's approval to name the ballfield at Veterans Memorial Park after long-time coach Bob Sauders.
    - *J. Eastep moved to name the baseball field at Veterans Memorial Park after Bob Sauders. C. Eshleman seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.*

**Meeting Minutes and Financial Reports**

- *R. Spiegel moved to accept the minutes of the September 9, 2024, meeting as distributed. T. Baker seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.*
- *T. Baker moved to accept the financial reports and fund distributions as presented. C. Eshleman seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.*

**Public Safety – Police/Fire**

Chairperson – R. Spiegel

- Chairperson Spiegel recognized WHTPD Chief J. Jay who reviewed the report for the previous month.
  - Chief Jay advised they will be opening the application process to hire more officers soon.
- Chairperson Spiegel recognized Mountville Fire Chief D. Gantz who reviewed the report for the previous month.
  - Fund Drive has raised approx. \$42,531.00 so far.

- Grant writing will cost approx. \$4,850.00 in 2025.

### **Public Safety – Planning/Zoning**

Chairperson – L. Heisey

- Sam Meckley reported that 6 permits were issued for this reporting period:
 

○ #2397	405 Huntington Drive	Solar Panels	\$ 268.50
○ #2398	53 W. Main St.	Patio	\$ 76.00
○ #2399	117 E. Hoover St.	Fence	\$ 72.80
○ #2400	21 E. Hoover St.	Fence	\$ 35.00
○ #2402	34 E. Hoover St.	Expand Deck	\$ 65.60
○ #2403	117 E. Hoover	Shed	\$ 35.00
- A zoning ordinance amendment was discussed.
  - The planning commissions have reviewed and approved the changes, and the newspaper ad was properly placed for approval at this meeting.
    - *T. Baker moved to approve Ordinance #307, amendments to the Mountville Borough Ordinances.*  
R. Spiegel seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.

### **Public Safety – Health/Sanitation**

Chairperson – T. Baker

- Delinquent Trash
  - *T. Baker moved to stop trash collection at two delinquent properties that are currently being liened.* R. Spiegel seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.

### **General Government – Personnel**

Chairperson – P. Kresge

- No Report.

### **General Government - Budget**

Chairperson – C. Eshleman

- The 2025 budget was discussed.

### **General Government – Public Outreach**

Chairperson – P. Kresge

- Mountville Welcome Sign
  - Still waiting to meet with the owner of the property to discuss.

### **General Government – Building Committee**

Chairperson – P. Kresge

- No Report

### **Public Works – Streets**

Chairperson – D. Good

- Winter maintenance agreement with D.H. Funk.
  - *D. Good moved to approve the winter maintenance agreements with D.H. Funk for the 2024-2025 season.*  
T. Baker seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.

**Public Works - Parks and Recreation**

Chairperson – J. Eastep

- Phase 2 of Spring Hill Park Stormwater Restoration Project
  - *J. Eastep moved to approve bidding for the project documents.* C. Eshleman seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.

**Engineer's Report**

- No Report.

**Manager's Report**

- No Report.

**Mayor's Report**

- No Report.

**Unfinished Business**

- None.

**New Business**

- Electric supplier contract
  - APPI (our broker) obtained the following proposals:
    - AEP – 12mo/\$0.06798 24mo/\$0.06889 36mo/\$0.06980
    - Constellation - 12mo/\$0.07122 24mo/\$0.07222 36mo/\$0.07279
  - *R. Spiegel moved to accept the proposal from AEP for the 3-year term.* D. Good seconded the motion. Council was in accord and the motion carried.

**Public Comment**

- None.

**Miscellaneous**

- None.

**With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2108 hrs.**

Respectfully submitted,



Derrick J. Millhouse  
Manager/Secretary

**Gallery:** (listing only those who signed in)

Art Fitzkee

Tara Fitzkee

Bruce R. Gadbois

Sam Meckley (Rettew Associates)

Julissa Rodriguez (LNP)